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Please substitute the following for Claim 79:

79. A process for the preparation of an N-substituted monoethanolamine, the process comprising contacting a ketone, monoethanolamine, and  $\rm H_2$  in the presence of a catalyst comprising a metal selected from the group consisting of platinum and palladium, and essentially in the absence of any non-reactive solvent,

wherein the N-substituted monoe than olamine has formula (XI):

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^1 \\
H - C - N - CH_2 - OH_2OH \\
R^2 & H
\end{array} (XI)$$

the ketone has formula (VIII):

$$R^1-C-R^2$$
 (VIII), and

 $R^1$  and  $R^2$  are independently selected from the group consisting of hydrocarbyl and substituted hydrocarbyl.

Please cancel claim 80.